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In re Application of

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SYSTEM AND METHOD

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated 10/14/99, please cancel Claim 12.

REMARKS

The courtesy of the Examiners during the telephone interviews is acknowledged. - -

1-3. With regard to the rejection of Claims 12, 51-57, 58-79, and 83-108 as allegedly being obvious with respect to Fabris and Parker '296, claim 12 has been cancelled.

With regard to Claim 51, the Examiner concedes that "Fabris does not show remote controllers to remember the field of view", page 3, lines 6-7. Moreover, Fabris does not disclose or suggest the use of remote controllers to accomplish any of the features his disclosed teleconferencing system. Applicants disagree that the touch screen of Fabris is a "remote controller" in the manner used in the present invention. Furthermore, even if the touch screen of Fabris can be considered a "remote controller" it surely is not movable independently of said automatic control system and said at least one camera by a user to a selected location: as recited in Claim 51 amended.

With respect to Parker '296, it is not obvious to employ movable remote control devices in the system of Fabris. Indeed, the system of Fabris would not be operable if a user moved away from the touch screen which itself is not movable. The Fabris invention is specifically designed to

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